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November 18, 1985

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Re: Board of Overseers File #85-102

Dear Mr. Dostie:

On November 14, 1985, a panel of the Grievance Commission thoroughly reviewed the above matter.

Based upon that review, please be advised that the panel determined that you had taken a much longer period of time than seemed necessary to perform the services for your client, that you did not properly keep in touch with your client or keep her informed as to the status of this matter, and that you did not promptly advise her as to your receipt of monies belonging to her.

Accordingly, the panel found your conduct to be in violation of M. Bar R. 3.6(a)(3) and 3.6(f)(2)(i) which read as follows:

3.6 Conduct During Representation

(a) Standards of Care and Judgment. A lawyer must employ reasonable care and skill and apply his best judgment in the performance of his services. He shall be punctual in his professional commitments. He shall take reasonable measures to keep his client informed of the status of the clients affairs. He shall not

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(3) neglect a legal matter
entrusted to him.

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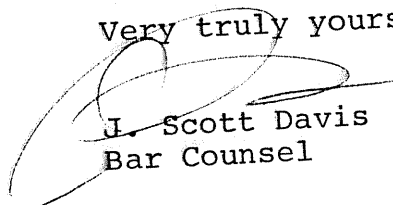
(f) Preserving Identity of Funds
and Property.

(2) A lawyer shall:

(i) Promptly notify a client of
the receipt of his funds, securities,
or other properties.

The Commission regrets the necessity of having to deliver
this reprimand, but since this is not the first reprimand for
you, please govern your future professional conduct accordingly
to avoid the imposition of more severe discipline.

Very truly yours,


J. Scott Davis
Bar Counsel

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